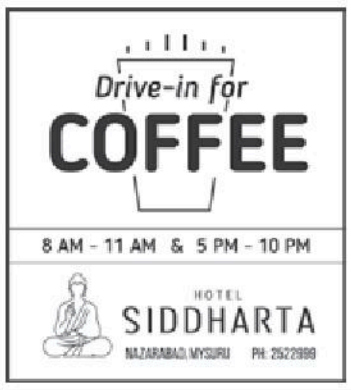

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Jumboo Savari Rehearsal

Mysuru, Oct. 22 (MTY&KS)- With *Jumboo Savari* to be held on *Vijayadashami* day on Oct. 26, the first rehearsal for the Dasara elephants was held in the Mysore Palace premises this morning.

As Dasara is being celebrated in a simple manner, the procession is limited only to the Palace premises covering 500 mts distance with the participation of five elephants and 30 Mounted Police horses.

(See REHEARSAL on page 7)

- Procession covers 500 mts
- Final rehearsal on Saturday

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Mysuru COVID-19 UPDATE

Figures as per Government Media Bulletin released last evening

Positive cases yesterday	:	220
Total positive cases	:	45,864
Discharges yesterday	:	1,147
Total discharges	:	39,886
Deaths yesterday	:	3
Total deaths	:	932
Total active cases	:	5,046

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Editor: M. GOVINDE GOWDA, M.A.

Mysuru, Thursday 22nd October 2020

Understanding India Webinar Series

"Dasara in India and its heritage"

Mysuru, Oct. 22- Vivekananda Institute of Indian Studies (VIIS), a unit of Swami Vivekananda Youth Movement (SVYM), Mysuru, is organising a webinar "Dasara in India and its heritage" today (Oct. 22) at 6 pm. This is the fourth session under the 'Understanding India Webinar Series.'

The objective of these webinars is to discuss and disseminate some important cultural and scientific knowledge domains of India and create a sense of national pride and patriotism. Festivals play an important role in embracing our culture.

\With Dasara festival on, this will help people connect to the relevance and symbolism of celebrating Dasara. For registration, contact Mob: +91 9482690277.

SVYM is a development organisation, engaged in building a new civil society in India through its grassroots to policy level action in Health, Education and Community Development sectors. It believes that building human and social capital will result in economic consequences and all of SVYM's programmes are driven by this development paradigm.

VIIS offers various customised courses in several fields in the context of India to different Universities across the globe. It also promotes and facilitates the development and dissemination of Indian culture, spirituality, arts, music and the like.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

I recently came across a news report which said that between 2010 and 2020, Indian women had grown taller by three inches and Indian men by two inches. So, according to the report, the new normal height of Indian women was five feet and three inches, and for men it was five feet and six inches. This bore out what I'd been noticing for a while. Indians are getting bigger and taller day by day. In most cases, young adults, of both genders, are bigger and taller than their parents. This has been attributed to several factors, including dietary changes involving genetically modified food.

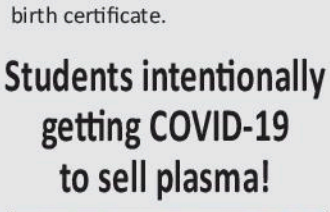
But what particularly struck me about the report was the use of the word 'normal' in describing the height of the Indian population. The word 'normal' is used in everyday parlance. We talk about the monsoon this year as being normal, or above, or below normal. Temperatures this coming winter are expected to be normal, or above, or below normal. The funny thing about this 'normal' that we so normally talk about is that it is, in fact, not normal at all. What is deemed to be the norm is based on the law of averages, which works by taking two extremes – the tallest and the shortest individuals, the wettest and the driest monsoon, the coldest and the warmest weather – and establishing a midway point, a median, between the two.

So, in order for the 'normal' Indian male to be five feet six inches in height there have to be a lot of strapping six-footers in the country, as well as an equal number of guys who stand no more than five feet in their bathroom flip-flops. Similarly, a so-called 'normal' monsoon is an abstraction derived by taking, at one extreme, a year when the rains came down like a latter-day visitation of Noah's flood and, on the other extreme, a year when the parched earth made the Sahara desert look like the Amazon rainforest in comparison. By and large, or by and small, that's the odd thing about the 'normal' – that, more often than not, it is quite abnormal, normally speaking.

— Jug Suraiya in The Times of India

NEWS SPARKLERS

Parents name child after internet provider to get free wi-fi



Basel: A Swiss couple has named their baby daughter Twifia after internet start-up Twifi and won themselves 18 years of free wi-fi internet.

The young couple responded to a ad from Twifi, a Swiss internet provider, which dared parents to name their newborn Twifus (if it was a boy) or Twifia (if it was a girl) in exchange for 18 years of free internet.

The parents, aged 30 and 35, ultimately decided that Twifia wasn't that bad of a name and the thought of getting free internet for 18 years and putting that money in a savings account for their daughter was appealing.

So after thinking it over, they decided to make it official, putting down 'Twifia' as their daughter's middle name on her birth certificate.

Students intentionally getting COVID-19 to sell plasma!

Idaho: The Brigham Young University in Idaho has launched an investigation into claims that some of its students are intentionally trying to get infected with SARS-CoV-2, to then sell their antibody plasma for cash.

Idaho news outlets have identified several donation centers paying for antibody plasma, including one close to the University that claims to pay survivors of COVID-19 $100 per visit "as a special thank you" for "saving lives during a pandemic." Another location reportedly pays donors $200 for each of their first two visits.

Officials at Brigham Young University, strongly condemned the the alleged behavior of its students and announced its decision to suspend anyone caught attempting to contract the virus on purpose.

The university is currently investigating incidents on campus and has urged students not to put themselves and others at risk for financial risks, because the risk is not worth the reward.

HEALTH CAPSULE by Bron Smith

What's wrong with cooking in vegetable oils?

When heated to high temperatures, vegetable oils degrade into oxidative products called aldehydes. Some researchers believe that oxidated vegetable oil is more damaging to human health than trans fatty acids. Coconut oil makes a good cooking oil because it doesn't oxidise under high heat.

** Health Capsules is not intended to be of a diagnostic nature.*

COVID-19 UPDATE

Mandya

Figures as per Government Media Bulletin released last evening

Positive cases yesterday	:	208
Total positive cases	:	15,582
Total discharges	:	13,654
Total deaths	:	136
Total active cases	:	1,792

Chamarajanagar

Positive cases yesterday	:	33
Total positive cases	:	5,658
Total discharges	:	4,904
Total deaths	:	107
Total active cases	:	636

Kodagu

Positive cases yesterday	:	51
Total positive cases	:	4,527
Total discharges	:	3,906
Total deaths	:	59
Total active cases	:	562

Hassan

Positive cases yesterday	:	140
Total positive cases	:	23,770
Total discharges	:	21,090
Total deaths	:	361
Total active cases	:	2,319

Really...?

- *Tongues are measured from the epiglottis (a flap of cartilage in the mouth at the back of the tongue) to the tip. An adult man's average tongue length is 3.3 inches (8.5 cm), and an adult woman's average tongue length is 3.1 inches (7.9 cm). According to the Guinness World Records, the current title of World's Longest Tongue belongs to an American named Nick Stoeberl, whose tongue measures 3.97 inches (10.1 cm).*

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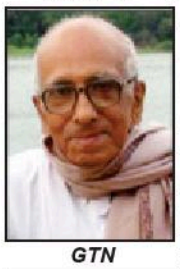
VOICE OF THE READER

GTN, a legend and a luminary

Sir,

KBG's 'Nostalgically Speaking-8' write-up on Prof. G.T. Narayana Rao in *SOM* dated Sept.6, 2020, has prompted me to write about my association with him since 1975. He joined our team of Ganabharathi as Committee Member in 1980 when I was the Vice-President.



GTN

File photo of Lakshmi Devi receiving GTN Memorial Silver Plaque from R.Guru as M. Jagannath Shenoi and Dr. C.G. Narasimhan look on.

Guddehittalu Thimmappaiah Narayana Rao, GTN as he was popularly called, after his early education in Madikeri and Mangalore passed MA in Mathematics at Madras (1947). Lecturer in Madikeri College (1953-63) was his first appointment. After a three-year stint in Government College in Bangalore he came to Mysore in 1969 to settle down. He was absolutely simple in his dress, wearing white pant and bush shirt and chappals, going on a cycle or by walk wherever he had to go but equally forthright in speaking his mind out. He was a role model to some of us who were much younger to him.

GTN took the mantle of collecting funds for the construction of Veene Seshanna Bhavana on Adichunchanagiri road. His slogan was 'Jagannatha's Rath has to be drawn by all' and believed in 'No great work has ever suffered for want of funds.' He never hesitated to ask any stranger for funds and he even carried a receipt book in his bag to give it readily. His involvement was so much as he did not spare some of the shop owners on Sayyaji Rao and Dhanvanthri Roads.

I fondly remember him barging into my clinic even during busy hours just to tell me a 'vismaya' (miracle in his words) that he collected a few hundred rupees. The major donation of Rs. 1 lakh he got was from Dr. Veerendra Heggade of Dharmasthala who was his student in a Bangalore College.

As the estimated cost of construction was Rs.12 lakh he had to make a couple of trips to Bombay. Once he was invited by the Bombay University to deliver a lecture on Science subjects offering him the flight and hotel charges. He politely refused to accept it and travelled in Gandhi class and stayed for a few days in his friend's house asking the organisers to make that amount as a donation to Ganabharathi!

His love for Karnatak music started while he was in Madras and it continued till his end in 2008. His reviews on music were unbiased and forthright, sometimes quite open and critical too.

Ganabharathi on the occasion of Veene Seshanna Bhavan's Silver Jubilee in 2016 posthumously honoured GTN with a Silver Plaque which was received by his wife Lakshmi Devi Rao. It is also gratifying to note that a memorial music concert is instituted in his memory in Ganabharathi. His admirers have contributed handsomely to this fund.

Being an avid student of Science he always used to quote Einstein's popular saying 'Science without religion is lame and Religion without science is blind'. He has written several books on science including Nobel Laureates Einstein and Chandrashekar. One of his books in Kannada 'Vijnanada Moolatatvagalu' has won an award also. After becoming the President of Ganabharathi in 2011, I am proud to say that I am following his footsteps in collecting funds for the development of the institution.

I would like to conclude with GTN's yet another selfless service for a cause. With his intense commitment to the improvement of art and culture in Mysuru he had provided free of cost a place in his house for the noted Dance Master late Muralidhara Rao to conduct his classes.

— Dr. C.G. Narasimhan

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No proof of COVID-19 spread through newspapers: Union Health Minister

New Delhi, Oct. 22- Health Minister Dr. Harsh Vardhan said on Sunday that there was no scientific evidence to prove that Sars-Cov-2 virus, the virus that causes Coronavirus disease (COVID-19), was transmitted through newspapers and that it is "totally safe to read newspapers."

"Call your hawker now as newspapers spreading the virus is a baseless rumour; it is a respiratory virus and spread through droplets suspended in the air. There is no scientific evidence before us that tells us that newspapers spread the virus. It is totally safe to read newspapers even during COVID-19 pandemic as they are not a source of novel Coronavirus transmission," he said.

While talking about credibility of newspapers, Prime Minister Narendra Modi had earlier also said that it was completely safe to read newspapers and that newspapers were vital in

Dr. Harsh Vardhan

spreading correct information.

None of the experts, internationally or nationally, studying Sars-Cov-2, have established so far any cases of COVID-19 infection from newspaper or package, with scientific research showing that the virus does not survive on porous surfaces.

"It is not true that newspapers can be a source of COVID-19 infection, there is no evidence to suggest that. If it was happening, we would have said so to stop infection. What we know about the virus for sure right now is that it spreads largely through droplets and fomites (infected surfaces), not newspapers," Sujeet K. Singh, Director, National Centre for Disease Control (NCDC), had told earlier.

A study published earlier this year in the prestigious New England Journal of Medicine, which is the world's most cited research journal with an impact factor of 70.6, on the varying stability of the Coronavirus on different surfaces, had found that the lowest transmission possibilities were copper because of its atomic makeup and cardboard because of its porous texture. The transmission was highest on aerosols, and higher on plastic and stainless steel.

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NEWS BRIEFS

Kittur Rani Chennamma Jayanti

The District Administration and the Department of Kannada & Culture, Mysuru, have organised Kittur Rani Chennamma Jayanti celebration at Kalamandira in city on Oct. 23 at 11 am. Due to COVID-19, celebrations will be held in a simple and symbolic manner by offering floral tribute to a portrait of Kittur Rani Chennamma, according to the Assistant Director, Kannada & Culture Department.

Last date extended

The last date to submit entries for 'Best Book' prize (2020-21) given by Karnataka Sangeeta Nritya Academy for authors of books on music and dance has been extended to Nov. 15. Authors of books on Karnatak, Hindustani, Sugama Sangeetha, Nritya-Katha-Keertana and Gamaka, whose works are first published between January and December 2019, can now send entries before Nov. 15. The works should not be text books or edited ones and must be self-written. Interested may send their entries along with four copies of their works to the Registrar, Karnataka Sangeeta Nritya Academy, Kannada Bhavan, 2nd Floor, J.C. Road, Bengaluru - 560002. Prescribed application forms can be obtained from the Office of the Assistant Director, Kannada and Culture Department of their respective districts or can be downloaded from the Academy's website: *https://karnatakasangeetanrityaacademy.com*, according to the Academy Registrar Banashankari V. Angadi.

Polytechnic courses

The Government CPC Polytechnic in city has invited applications from candidates who have passed SSLC for admission to vacant seats of Commercial Practice Kannada and Commercial Practice English courses. Interested may submit applications directly at the CPC Polytechnic before Oct. 29.

KRS Water Level

(Maximum : 124.80 feet)

Today	124.80 ft
Yesterday	124.80 ft
Inflow	6,847 cusecs
Outflow	6,591 cusecs

Kabini Level

(Maximum : 2,284.00 feet)

Today	2,283.05 ft
Inflow	1,047 cusecs
Outflow	1,850 cusecs

Harangi Level

(Maximum : 2,859.00 feet)

Today	2,858.40 ft
Inflow	1,622 cusecs
Outflow	1,550 cusecs

Bomb detector 'Lucky' no more

Mysuru, Oct. 22 (KS)- Lucky (7), a Labrador, who was serving as a Bomb Detective Dog at the Dog Squad in city, passed away on Oct. 20 after developing fever on Sunday.

He had served for more than six years at the Dog Squad.

Lucky had bagged a medal at the South Range Police Meet in 2018. He was being handled by Manjunath. Lucky had helped the Police in nearly 200 bomb detection assignments.

Lucky was cremated with full Police honour on Wednesday.

Hari retires from service

Hari, the 9-year-old Labrador, serving as a Bomb Detector, retired from service yesterday. He had served for eight years.

Upon his retirement, Hari was felicitated by City Armed Reserve (CAR) DCP Shivaraj with a garland and a shawl.

As Hari is suffering from kidney ailment and is visually impaired, he has been sent to People for Animals (PFA) shelter, where he would be staying for the rest of his life as he could receive medical attention when required immediately.

Inspector Murthy, Sub-Inspector Suresh, Assistant Sub-Inspectors Ramesh, Sudeep and V. Babu, Dog Handlers Nagendra and Purushotham, bid farewell to Hari yesterday.

Work with dedication to protect rich forest wealth: PCCF

PCCF Ritu Kakkar** (fifth from left) **with other Forest officials during the convocation of foundation training course for the fourth batch of DRFOs at Forest Department Training Centre in Yelwal on Tuesday.

Mysuru, Oct. 22 (MTY&SSV)- Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (PCCF) Ritu Kakkar has called upon the newly-recruited staff to take pledge to work with dedication and protect the rich forest wealth for the coming generation.

She was speaking at a function organised to distribute certificate in connection with convocation of foundation training course for the fourth batch of Deputy Range Forest Officers (DRFOs) at Forest Department Training Centre in Yelwal on Tuesday.

Ritu Kakkar said, both Karnataka State Forest Academy at Gungargatti in Dharwad and Forest Dept. Training Centre in Yalwal had emerged as best centres in the State. It was happy to note here that staff of various ranks including DRFOs have undergone training in this centre and showed dedication in their job.

The fourth batch of candidates, who have completed training successfully and are reporting to duty, must pledge to protect flora and fauna. The role of Forest Department was in maintaining balance in environment. Everyone must feel proud of the Department and make remarkable contribution to society, she added.

T. Heeralal, Chief Conservator of Forest (CCF), Mysuru Circle, said that Yelwal centre had been imparting quality training since the beginning. Officers of different ranks have participated in training programme held at this centre.

Despite COVID-19 pandemic, the candidates took all precautionary measures and have successfully completed training. Among 99 candidates, G.P. Bharat has secured first rank for the State by excelling in all training programs.

All of them have undergone 15-months training in 15 subjects at Yelwal Centre. Resource persons from various fields were invited to deliver lectures.

The candidates were taken to different forests to make them have firsthand experience of challenges they would come across during their career. They were also trained in responding to emergency situation, blood donation, way to douse forest fire and anti-poaching camps.

Deputy Conservators of Forest (DCFs) Dr. K.C. Prashanth Kumar, Antony S. Mariappa, M.G. Alexander and Assistant Conservator of Forests (ACF) Seema, RFOs S.D. Rajesh, Anita, Ravindra and others were present.

Kodava Heritage Centre still in limbo

Works remain incomplete even after 15 years

The design for the Kodava Heritage Centre with two separate buildings as seen above was done by a Delhi-based architect through the Public Works Department (PWD) and they have specially mentioned use of red Mangalore bricks for the walls. The main features of the Heritage Centre are an auditorium, museum and amphitheatre.

Mysuru, Oct. 22- Kodava Heritage Centre, the ambitious project of the Central Government envisaged over 15 years ago to showcase the unique tradition of Kodavas, is still in limbo.

This proposed Centre coming up near Vidyanagar in Madikeri was to be built on the lines of the traditional Kodava Ainmane and highlight the rich tradition, customs and social ethos of Kodavas. This Centre, when completed, would have been a valuable centre of studies featuring the cultural heritage of Kodavas, but due to gross negligence of elected representatives and the authorities concerned, the project is abandoned midway.

The budget being allocated for the project is sky-rocketing year by year, but the work is yet to take off from where it was stalled. And the reason for this sorry state of affairs is the private contractor and the Public Works Department (PWD) which had been entrusted with the work.

Rs. 3.30 crore project

The estimated cost of the project in the beginning was Rs. 88.75 lakh, but now it has escalated to Rs. 3.30 crore. The State Government had handed over the construction work to PWD on May 27, 2020 to be completed within a span of 12 months. But due to Corona pandemic and heavy rains, the work has again come to a grinding halt.

15 years gone

Initially, when this ambitious project was launched over 15 years ago, the Ministry of Tourism at the Centre had agreed to provide grants. Though the project was launched by the State Government it soon came to a standstill. Surprised and upset over the undue delay in the execution of the project, even the Kodagu Deputy Commissioner had intervened and ordered the officials to expedite the project, but it still remains far from completion. This shows the apathy of those involved in the execution of project.

Structure in dilapidated state

There were complaints of poor quality work while some had also raised objection accusing the authorities of improper planning and architecture. Over the last 15 years, the red bricks used for construction have come apart. Unable to withstand the vagaries of nature, the incomplete walls have become dilapidated. From years of neglect and disuse, wild grass has covered the bare walls. The construction site has now been reduced to a ramshackle structure with tall weeds covering the whole area, just like the neighbouring thick forests.

A few walls have collapsed and the granite laid on the steps have broken down. As a proof of shabby work, cement pillars have cracked down at various places. Heaps of Mangalore tiles and broken woods lay scattered all over the place. Granite stones, wooden planks used for roofing and tiles have been stolen by some miscreants.

Even the local Kodava organisations and elected representatives do not seem be bothered about the progress of the structure. As a result, from the last 15 years, the construction work has still remained incomplete.

Blame game

On Nov. 27, 2018, the PWD had intervened and blacklisted the contractor for stopping the work halfway, but the Department is yet to receive Rs. 42 lakh excess money that had been paid to the negligent contractor. Yet, all these seems to be just another eye-washing tactic by the persons involved.

Now, works on Government buildings like Zilla Panchayat Bhavan, District Court Complex and Kendriya Vidyalaya that were taken up around the proposed Kodava Heritage Centre in Madikeri are going on at a brisk pace. Surprisingly, all these three buildings are being built in a shorter time than that of the Heritage Centre and cost of these works amounts of crores of rupees.

With the Heritage Centre project lying in limbo for 15 long years, people are wondering whether the project, which is expected to become a major tourist attraction when wholly executed, will be completed at all. The people are also questioning the commitment of the political leaders of the district.

Project to be completed by March 2021

Construction work of the proposed Kodava Heritage Centre has now been handed over to Grade-1 contractor Kishore Babu. The cost of this work is around Rs. 1.5 crore, but due to heavy rains and Corona pandemic, the work could not be taken up till now. The work will begin after Madikeri Dasara and we have instructed the contractor to complete construction work by the end of March 2021. As the roofing work was incomplete, heavy rains have damaged the red brick wall and as a result, the construction cost might go up in the coming days.

—Shivaram,
Asst. Executive Engineer,
Public Works Department

Unfortunately, the otherwise unique structure now has become an eyesore with heaps of M-Sand, red bricks and Mangalore tiles scattered all over the place.

What about remaining work?

The present contractor Kishore Babu for Rs. 1.5 crore will only complete the tiled roof and flooring. What about the remaining work? It is learnt the project to complete in toto before handing the building over to the State Tourism Department would need few more crores of rupees. Fear is that the project will get into limbo once again unless some Kodava Organisation monitors the progress and pursues it with the Government.

As an example it may be mentioned that the Gen. K.S. Thimayya Museum is shaping up so well and set to complete soon by the Contractors Nirmiti Kendra, because the project is overseen by the NGO Field Marshal Cariappa-General Thimayya Forum with Air Marshal Nanda Cariappa, Major Bidanda Nanjappa and Col. Subbaiah, its President.

A big feat by 'Namma Doddaspatre'

In Mysuru District 2,54,587 COVID tests have been conducted till Oct. 20 out of which 1,00,613 have been tested at MMC&RI Microbiology Laboratory (K.R. Hospital). Out of that, 89,589 patients belonged to Mysuru District while 11,024 were from neighbouring districts. Of the total 9,295 positive cases, 8,926 persons belonged to Mysuru District and 369 to other Districts.

When COVID-19 pandemic struck the country none knew about the deadly virus. The situation was like groping in the dark. The healthcare system was not at all ready to deal with that alien virus which had already claimed thousands of lives in China. At this juncture, Krishna Rajendra Hospital (K.R. Hospital), popularly known as 'Doddaspatre' among lakhs of people of Mysuru, Chamarajanagar, Mandya and Kodagu districts, was vested with the responsibility of conducting tests to detect Coronavirus among people. Rising to the occasion, the K.R. Hospital has now achieved a milestone of completing one lakh COVID tests since March this year and has helped the State Government in the detection of positive cases.

The man behind this successful mission, Dr. C.P. Nanjaraj, Dean and Director, Mysore Medical College and Research Institute (MMC&RI), shared his views with ***Star of Mysore*** *on achieving this rare feat. He also profusely thanked the entire staff for working day and night to fight against this pandemic in the last seven months. Excerpts.* — **Ed**

THE DEDICATED TEAM: ***MMC & RI Dean and Director Dr. C.P. Nanjaraj*** *(centre)*, ***Professor and HoD Dr. K. Anuradha, PI & Nodal Officer Dr. B. Amrutha Kumari, Data Management - B. Arun Kumar, Hari Haran Sharma and Ranjan, Technical Staff - Tabasum, Sowmya, Priyanka, H.M. Rashmi, Farheen, Sangeetha, Veena, Raghavendra, Manasa, Kunal, Shruti, Prashanth and Nodal Officer Basavaraj.***

By Shyam Sundar Vattam

Star of Mysore: How do you feel about this achievement of crossing one lakh testing so far?

Dr. C.P. Nanjaraj: I am feeling very happy about this feat. During the initial days of Corona positive cases, ours was the only well-equipped laboratory to conduct COVID-19 test. All the samples collected from Kodagu, Chamarajanagar, Chikkamagalur and Mandya districts were coming to our laboratory for testing. That was stopped once the State Government set up RT-PCR Testing Centres in those districts. Meanwhile, we stepped up daily testing. Initially we were focusing more on Rapid Antibody Test (RAT) for immediate detection of positive cases. But once we came to know about the community spread of this pandemic, the Government asked all its Hospitals to go for RT-PCR for more accurate results. Besides, the required manpower and testing kits were supplied right in time to deal with the situation.

SOM: What about staff deployment during initial days as many had feared contracting virus even while conducting tests?

Dr. Nanjaraj: You are true. Between March and May, our nursing staff worked for ten days and quarantined for five days. Subsequently, they came out of their fear, thanks to PPE kits that gave them maximum protection from contracting the virus. They started working in three shifts. Each shift consists of a Microbiologist, Data Entry Operators and Technicians among others.

Earlier, we were conducting around 1,000 RT-PCR tests daily and then it was ramped up to 1,600 to 1,700 cases. A new equipment called 'Liquid Handling System' is being installed with which we can conduct up to 4,000 tests daily and also can give results faster.

SOM: How efficient is the laboratory in your Institute?

Dr. Nanjaraj: This is one of the best laboratories among all Hospitals as 23 kinds of viruses can be tested here. This was set up in 2016 with the assistance of Government of India, thanks to the initiative of Mysuru-Kodagu MP Pratap Simha. Now, the same facility is used to conduct COVID-19 test.

SOM: Why were people from other places coming to K.R. Hospital despite having Hospitals in their respective districts?

Dr. Nanjaraj: Till date, lakhs of people of Mysuru and neighbouring districts have lot of faith on our Hospital that they will get better treatment than private hospitals. For this reason, Corona positive patients come here for testing and treatment. Residents of Srirangapatna, Pandavapura, Malavalli come to K.R.Hospital though they technically belonged to Mandya district. We have never stopped them from coming. We are providing the best available treatment to one and all. Nearly 70 per cent of population have reposed faith in our 'Doddaspatre'. We are having 33 Departments in both Post-Graduate and Under-Graduate level and good infrastructure with which they have been able to treat patients.

SOM: Is it true that Corona has now spread to community?

Dr. Nanjaraj: Yes. This has happened long ago. The Government of India also changed the concept of Containment and Quarantine by suggesting Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) time and again. People have to live with this virus. The Union Health Ministry comes out with SOPs regularly depending upon the prevailing situation. The concept of Containment Zone has been scrapped. Patients were given the option of Home Quarantine or Institutional Quarantine depending upon the seriousness of the pandemic.

SOM: In Bengaluru, thousands of persons have gone untraceable after testing Corona positive. Has it happened here too?

Dr. Nanjaraj: Around 1,500 persons, who tested Corona positive, have gone missing. Mobile phone numbers given by them have been either switched off or out of coverage area. Most of them are learnt to be from other districts. But efforts are on to trace them to prevent them from spreading to others. At a time when Private Hospitals were charging lakhs of rupees on treatment of Corona positive patients, the State Government was bearing the treatment cost of every patient in COVID Care Centres or District COVID Hospitals.

SOM: As Head of an oldest Hospital, what is your suggestion to general public?

Dr. Nanjaraj: I earnestly appeal to everyone to strictly follow the Government of India guidelines such as wearing mask, hand hygiene and social distancing. Clinical trials of several candidates are going on and they are in different stages. A suitable vaccine is expected in next two to three months. Till then the citizens must be very careful▪

Jumboo Savari Rehearsal

During the Jumboo Savari rehearsal at Mysore Palace this morning, one of the Mounted Police horses panicked and went out of control resulting in the rider falling from the horse. He, however, brought the stud under control, calmed him down and later joined the procession.

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This morning, only Golden Howdah-bearer Abhimanyu and 'Kumki' elephants Kaveri and Vijaya took part in the rehearsal along with 30 horses. 'Pattada Aane' Vikram and 'Nishane Aane' Gopi were unable to rehearse for the grand finale as they had to take part in the rituals in the Palace.

Abhimanyu, along with Kaveri and Vijaya, were taken near the crane, where the 750 kgs Golden Howdah would be mounted on his back and were led to the front of the Palace, where a stage is erected for the dignitaries to shower petals to the portrait of Goddess Chamundeshwari placed inside the Golden Howdah. Upon arriving near the stage, Superintendent of Police (SP) of Channapatna Police Training School Shailendra, along with Veterinarian Dr. D.N. Nagaraj and Palace ACP H.M. Chandrashekar showered flower petals on Abhimanyu.

Following them were the Mounted Police horses, which went behind till Bhuvaneshwari Temple near Balarama Gate, where the procession ended. Abhimanyu today rehearsed without carrying the howdah. While the procession was nearing its end, one of the horses panicked and went out of control resulting in the rider falling from the horse. He, however, brought the stud under control, calmed him down and later joined the procession.

Another round of rehearsal will be conducted tomorrow morning and the final rehearsal will be held on Saturday.

Meanwhile, Dr. D.N. Nagaraj, speaking to *Star of Mysore*, said that all Dasara elephants were healthy and fit to participate in the grand finale on Oct. 26 and added that the final rehearsal will be conducted on Saturday with Abhimanyu carrying the wooden howdah.

Dasara elephants caretakers Rangaraju and Akram, Inspectors Anand and Gangadhar were also present.

Flower traders get a day's relief

but must shift to J.K. Grounds on Saturday and Sunday

Mysuru, Oct.22 (PM&SSV)- Following request from flower vendors of Devaraja Market, Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) has allowed them to do their business tomorrow, but they should shift to J.K. Grounds near Railway Station on Saturday and Sunday compulsorily.

A delegation of Mysuru Devaraja Market Flower Traders Association led by its leaders, N. Manjunath and B.R. Yathiraj, met MCC Commissioner Gurudatta Hegde and requested him to revoke the order due to lack of infrastructure at J.K. Grounds.

They pointed out that the entire area is filled with slush due to intermittent rains and customers do not come there to buy flowers.

Responding to their demand, the Commissioner said the decision to shift the flower section of Devaraja Market to J.K. Grounds had been taken keeping in view of public health. The Corporation would have definitely allowed them to do their business in the existing location provided pandemic was not there. But, since the city was still reeling under the pandemic threat it was necessary to take that decision. However, they will be allowed to trade inside the market tomorrow (Friday) but must shift to J.K. Grounds on Saturday and Sunday.

The Corporation will do the cleaning of the Grounds but traders must spend on pandals from their pockets.

It may be mentioned here that the MCC had ordered shifting of Flower Market section of Devaraja Market to J.K. Grounds from Oct. 23 to 25 in view of Ayudha Puja and Vijayadashami festival to prevent crowding inside the market.

Obituary

Shivanna

Mysuru, Oct. 22- Shivanna (82), a resident of Maruthi Tent Road at Janatanagar here, passed away in the early hours of today in city.

He leaves behind his wife, son Suresh (Proprietor of Maruthi Centring) and a daughter. Last rites were performed at Jayanagar Burial Grounds this afternoon.

T.A. Papaiah

Hunsur: T.A. Papaiah (73), husband of retired nurse Sulochana and a resident of the town, passed away at a private hospital in Mysuru, following brief illness this morning. He leaves behind his wife, a son and a daughter.

Last rites were performed at the family's farm in Bekke Sodlur village of Ponnampet taluk in Kodagu today.

Gurushanthamma

Nanjangud: Gurushanthamma (94), wife of Guru Swamy of Hale Mutt at Devanur village in the taluk, passed away yesterday. She leaves behind three sons and three daughters.

Last rites were performed at Devanur this noon.

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Overflowing sewage, overgrown plants, causing problems at Rajivnagar

Overflowing sewage water, thick growth of plants and bushes on either side of the road is causing a lot of problems to the residents near Shahida Masjid Road in Rajivnagar 2nd Stage. Also, sewage water is getting stagnant emanating foul smell and has become a perfect place for mosquitoes to breed and overgrown plants and bushes on either side of the road has become a shelter to rodents and reptiles. Residents have urged the authorities concerned to take immediate steps to solve the problem at the earliest.

Will drain works on Shivarampet Main Road be completed?

The drain works taken up on the busy Shivarampet Main Road more than a month ago is not completed and is not even going on in a snail's pace as it has come to a standstill causing a lot of problems to the shopkeepers who have already suffered loss due to the pandemic. The works were stopped by the contractors, who were demanding payment of pending bills from the MCC. With Dasara round the corner, the place, which is located in the heart of the city, is in a pathetic condition and has become an eyesore. The public have urged the authorities concerned to get the drain works completed at the earliest.

Decennial celebrations at ATME

Mysuru, Oct. 22- ATME College of Engineering (ATMECE), Bannur Road, Mysuru, celebrated its 10th anniversary as "Decennial and Founders Day" on Oct. 10 at the college premises.

During its journey from 2010-2020, the Institute has achieved various milestones — acquired NBA Accreditation, ISO Certification, received award for Swachh Institute by Government of India (GoI), Remote Centre for IIT Bombay, Nodal Centre for Nain, GoK and Virtual Labs, set up CISCO Centre of Excellence and signed several MoUs with major industries.

Dignitaries of the event inaugurated the function by lighting the lamp. College Trustees — L. Arun Kumar, Founder-Chairman; K. Shivashankar, Founder-Secretary; R Veeresh, Founder-Treasurer, Nooreain and Dhirendra Kumar Mehta — were felicitated for their contribution to the institute.

Founder-staff — Prof. M.S. Veerendra Kumar, former HoD, CSE and Dr. K.S. Srinivasan, Founder-Principal —were also felicitated. Dr. Syed Shakeeb Ur Rahman, Executive Council Member, VTU, Belagavi, was the chief guest. Dr. L. Basavaraj, Principal, presided.

On the occasion, Dr. Srinivasan handed over a cheque for Rs. 3,000 to be given to Mechanical Engineering topper while Prof. Veerendra Kumar instituted a cash prize of Rs. 10,000 to be given every year for the Best Project in Computer Science Engineering Department.

A Decennial Celebration Logo was released by Arun Kumar while the Souvenir was unveiled by Shivashankar. Addressing the gathering, Arun Kumar said that ATME has reached a development phase and is heading towards an exponential growth.

Thanking everyone involved directly or indirectly with ATME, Arun Kumar announced formation of a Layout and allotment of sites for the benefit of faculties. He also discussed his future plans for the institute to acquire Autonomous Status by 2022-2023 and University in future.

He introduced a new entity to ATME family "Samagra-Academy of Higher Education and Innovation" offering various Science and Commerce courses.

The foundation stone for constructing an Amphitheatre in the college campus was also laid on the occasion.

Dr. G. Rathnakar, Dean, Student Affairs, ATMECE, welcomed. Keerthana of Computer Science and Engineering Dept., rendered invocation. B. Bharathi of Civil Engineering and G. Abhilash, Electronics and Communication Engineering, compered. Prof. M.R. Devaraj, Mechanical Engineering, proposed a vote of thanks. Deans, HoDs and staff were also present on the occasion while students joined the function through YouTube live.

Week-long session on 'Automation Technologies in FMCG Sector' held

Mysuru, Oct. 22- The Department of Mechanical Engineering, NIE Institute of Technology (NIE-IT), Mysuru, located at Hootagalli industrial area, conducted a one-week online Short-Term Training Programme (STTP) on "Automation Technologies in **Fast Moving Consumer Goods (FMCG)** Sector" in collaboration with MSME Development Institute, Bengaluru, Ministry of MSME, Government of India, recently.

The programme was inaugurated by Rakesh Bhat, Founder Director, XNG Automation Solutions Pvt. Ltd., Bengaluru. G.R. Akadas, Director, MSME Development Institute, Bengaluru, was the guest of honour.

First session was by Pranav Vidyarthi, Director of XNG Automation Solutions Pvt. Ltd., Bengaluru, on "Introduction to FMCG industries and their opportunities for automation." He explained the fundamentals of FMCG and Consumer Packed Goods (CPG) sector and various industries coming under this domain along with processes involved.

On day-2, Lokesh Kaushal, Regional Segment Leader in Packaging Machinery for Asia Pacific Region, Rockwell Automation Pvt. Ltd., Bengaluru, spoke on "Robotics and independent cart technology in FMCG" and highlighted the values of cart technology which play a vital role in the Smart Flexible Manufacturing.

M.S. Ajay, Project Manager, Britannia Industries Limited, Bengaluru, took a session on "Process Automation in Biscuit Production." He discussed about the complete flow chart of the processes involved in biscuit production giving a detailed account of processes that have been automated in Britannia Industries limited, using advanced production concepts such as Lean Manufacturing System.

The next session was by Prof. A. Srinivas, Senior Principal Scientist and former Head, Department of Grain Science and Technology, CSIR-CFTRI, Mysuru, on the topic "Automation in Grain and Food Processing Industries." The Professor explained the processing of paddy to make flattened rice and puffed rice highlighting on the statistics regarding rice production in India.

Next session was on "Process Automation in Dairy Industry" by Baker Ninan Fenn, Manufacturing Manager, MTR Foods Pvt. Ltd., Bengaluru. The speaker discussed about the complete set of processes involved in milk packaging and supply chain giving a detailed account of processes that have been automated at Amul Dairy in Gujarat. He gave the audience a deep insight of the dairy processes like homogenisation, pasteurisation, sterilisation and packing through a virtual tour of Amul Plant.

On the final day, E. Ravikumar, Maintenance Manager, ITC Ltd., Foods Division, Mysuru, spoke on "Career Opportunities and Growth in FMCG Industries."

A special session was also held wherein Gopinath Rao, Deputy Director, MSME Development Institute, Bengaluru, co-organisers of the event, spoke on "Assistance to Entrepreneurs through MSME Schemes." He introduced the volume of MSME Sector in India, in terms of employment, GDP, output and exports.

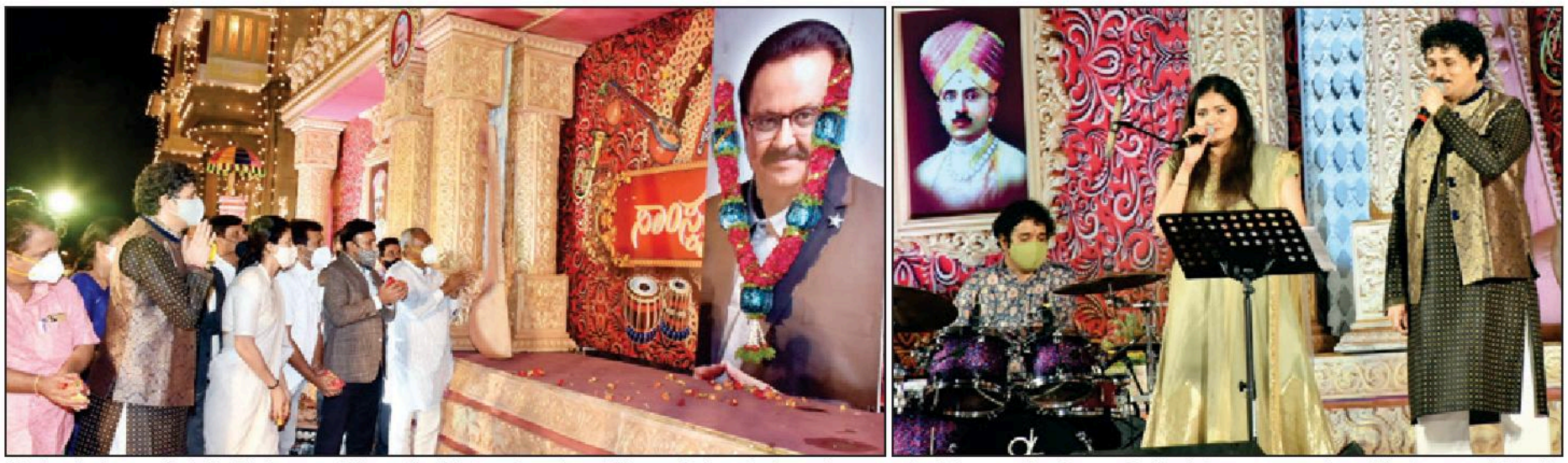
Totally 531 registrations were received for the event which include Professors, Doctorates and Research Scholars from IITs and NITs, Entrepreneurs, Directors and Managers from industries, and also students of engineering, agriculture, commerce and many other streams.

Dr. Bansilal, Principal, NIEIT, in his presidential address, mentioned about the report submitted by Vision Group on FMCG recently to Government of Karnataka. This report has recommended FMCG cluster to be created in the Hubballi-Dharwad region, which over a period of time, will have a turnover of Rs. 25,000 crore giving direct and indirect employment to 5 lakh persons.

Dr. A.V. Suresh, HoD, proposed a vote of thanks.

Tribute to SPB at Dasara Cultural Programme

Playback singers Rajesh Krishnan, Anuradha Bhat and team perform at Palace



Playback singers Rajesh Krishnan and Anuradha Bhat performing at Mysore Palace last evening as part of the ongoing Dasara Cultural Programme where tribute was paid to the legendary playback singer S.P. Balasubrahmanyam (SPB) who passed away recently. Drummer B.S. Arun Kumar is also seen. Picture left shows the dignitaries — Mysuru District in-Charge Minister S.T. Somashekar, Medical Education Minister Dr. K. Sudhakar, MLA L. Nagendra, Mysuru DC Rohini Sindhuri, singer Rajesh Krishnan, Mysuru Urban Development Authority (MUDA) Chairman H.V. Rajeev and others — offering floral tributes to a poster of SPB on the occasion. While Rajesh Krishnan rendered songs like 'Kannada Nadina Jeevanadi E Cauvery', 'Karunada Tayi Sada Chinmayi', 'Kaveramma Kapadamma', Kelade Nimageega Duradalli Yaro', he was accompanied by singer Anuradha Bhat for songs 'Joteyali Jote Joteyali Eruvenu Ege Yendu', 'Mamaravello Kogile Yello', 'Jeeva Veene', 'Onde Ondu Aaseyu' and 'Yentha Soundarya Nodu Namma Karunada Beedu'. Singers Pushpa and Raviraj sang 'Kanasalu Neene, Manasalu Neene', 'Nanna Muddu Taare Nagutali Baare' and 'E Kannada Mannanu Maribeda O Abhimani' in tribute to SPB.

Technical team to decide on Dasara crowd

Health Minister Dr. K. Sudhakar meets District Officials, reviews COVID situation

Bengaluru/Mysuru, Oct.22 (SSV)- A three-member Technical Team headed by Dr. M.K. Sudarshan, Chairman, COVID-19 State Technical Advisory Committee, is holding a crucial meeting in Bengaluru today regarding Dasara crowd management and illumination following reports of visiting public and tourists flouting COVID-19 protocol in Mysuru.

The team members will interact with District Minister S.T. Somashekar and other officials concerned, especially on the crowd management in Mysuru owing to thousands of people coming out of homes to watch illuminated Circles, main roads and busy junctions in the city, by totally violating guidelines issued by Union Health Ministry.

This, in fact, has become a point of worry for the State Government as more people are expected on last three days of Dasara. Although the State Government has decided to celebrate this year's Dasara in a simple manner and to restrict *Jumboo Savari* procession within the Palace premises, still there has been steady inflow of tourists into the city.

In the wake of this, Medical Education and Health Minister Dr. K. Sudhakar was in the city last evening to review COVID situation and Dasara crowd management. Along with Somashekar, the Minister held a meeting with MLA L. Nagendra, Deputy Commissioner Rohini Sindhuri, DHO Dr. T. Amarnath, Dean and Director of Mysore Medical College and Research Institute Dr. C.P. Nanjaraj, MCC Commissioner Gurudatta Hegde, SP C.B. Ryshyanth, City Police Commissioner Dr. Chandragupta, MUDA Commissioner Dr. D.B. Natesh and others. The Health Minister sought details of COVID situation and also steps taken by the DC for ongoing festivities.

The Minister was informed that there has been a decline in Corona positive cases and casualty in last one week due to ramping up of testing and strict vigilance. The positivity rate and death rate is slowly plummeting when compared to last month. However, the citizens need not become complacent and break protocol thinking that everything has now come to normal.

Dr. Sudhakar told in the meeting that the number of Corona positive cases spiked in Kerala after 10-15 days of Onam festival. Such a situation should not be allowed to happen in Mysuru after Dasara, he noted.

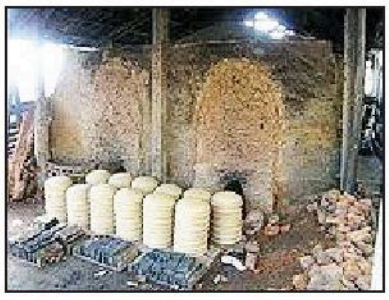
When Dr.Sudhakar mentioned about thousands of people on streets to watch the illuminated streets without safety norms, a senior Police Officer mentioned that the entire Central Business District (CBD) has been declared 'no parking' zone and no vehicle is allowed to stop even for a second. The Minister directed the cops to book cases against those who do not wear face mask or observe safe distancing in crowded places.

Highest testing

Dr. Sudhakar said Karnataka conducted 1,08,241 COVID tests across 155 labs in a single day on Wednesday. So far, they have conducted 69,52,835 tests with a positivity rate of 5.42 per cent. As many as 947 patients out of 1,00,440 active cases, that is 0.94 per cent cases are being treated in ICU. State's case fatality rate stands at 1.49 per cent, he said.

WORD OF THE DAY

Kiln



Pronunciation: KILN.
Meaning: An oven, furnace, or heated enclosure used for processing a substance by burning, firing, or drying.
Origin: The word kiln was kindled in Old English as a bundle of c-y-l-n. Unlike many words that descend from Old English, however, kiln is not ultimately Germanic in origin but was borrowed from Latin culina, meaning "kitchen," an ancestor of the English word culinary, which has been a menu option in English since the 17th century. An ingredient in culina is coquere, meaning "to cook" in Latin.
Example: The art studio has purchased a kiln and now offers courses in ceramics.

THE ODD WORD

Kalpis

A water jar.

IDIOM OF THE DAY

Keel over

Meaning: To keel over is to fall, suddenly and in a heap.
Origin: 'Keel over' was originally a nautical expression. The keel is the longitudinal timber to which the rest of the boat's timbers are fixed, usually seen as a ridge along the middle of the hull. 'Keeled over' referred to ships which had capsized or were laid on their side on land, either way with their keels showing. The phrase originated in the mid-19th century. The earliest reference one can find of it in print is in the Philadelphia Public Ledger, August 1837: We are informed that large quantities of fish are daily pouring from the Lake into the Basins, where they "keel over" and die off in no time. It's clear from the figurative use above that the phrase must have already been known as a direct reference to actual keels pointing into the air. However, so far, I can't find that in print.
The earliest example in print that explicitly refers to ships is from around the same time. This time from England, in the Morning Post newspaper, January 1838: The Dreadnought's moorings gave way ahead, and she was slewed halt round by the tide, and the heavy masses of ice which came down upon her caused great alarm for the safety of those on board, she being the hospital ship. It was expected that she would get aground at low water and be keeled over.

QUOTE BOX

There are always highs and lows in life, but if you maintain an even keel, then you can take the right decisions. **—Ajay Piramal**

RIDDLE THIS

Solve the rebus:

Answer: Beaten Black and Blue.

SUDOKU

	7						6	
	9	1	7		3	8	2	
			1		8			
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2				8				1
			3		6			
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	6						1	

Answer to previous puzzle

9	1	3	7	5	2	4	8	6
4	2	6	9	8	3	5	1	7
5	7	8	1	6	4	2	3	9
8	9	7	3	1	5	6	2	4
3	5	1	2	4	6	7	9	8
6	4	2	8	7	9	1	5	3
7	6	9	5	2	8	3	4	1
1	8	5	4	3	7	9	6	2
2	3	4	6	9	1	8	7	5

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:

1 An astringent
5 __ low : wait patiently for the right opportunity to develop?
8 Scheme or plan to no good purpose?
12 Ex-Indian captain ___ Contractor
13 Black bird
14 Swiss river - change of "area"?
15 Giving as a grant
17 Another word for a small island
18 Dry especially for wines
19 Hurry up
21 Supporting actress ___ Lagoo
24 Collection of maps
25 Univ. of Cal., Los Angeles
26 A musical symbol
27 Scotland's longest river
30 "A", "an" or __?
31 ___ over spilt milk : expresses regret too late?
32 Aerospace Industries Assoc.
33 Pig or wild boar
34 Slender
35 Culture medium
36 Prayer leaders of Islam
38 Mountain nymph
39 Physical injury
41 Alphabet trio
42 Fabled birds
43 Silent, reserved
48 Change of Govt. : coup d'____
49 Vane dir.
50 Understanding term? (1,3)
51 Hard to grasp
52 Flop
53 Roman statesman, soldier and writer?

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER

M	A	E	■	A	F	S	■	■	■	F	A	D
L	O	M	■	C	L	I	P	■	B	I	T	S
A	P	T	I	T	U	D	E	■	E	X	A	M
■	■	■	N	O	M	I	N	A	L	■	■	■
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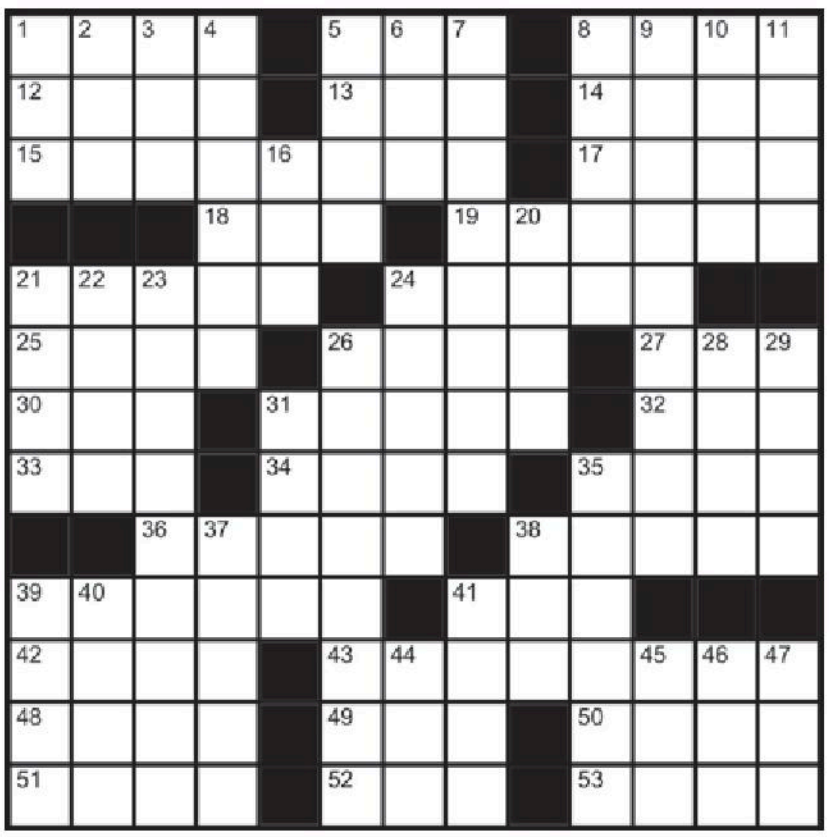
O	R	S	O	■	D	E	P	O	S	I	N	G
D	E	A	N	■	S	L	U	M	■	T	A	U
D	E	W	■	■	S	P	A	■	E	L	M	■

DOWN

1 Besides, also
2 Thai language - "Ola" anagram?
3 "Run" around to get a jar?
4 Noxious emanation
5 Secular; a layman
6 Auberge
7 One and a half dozen?
8 One of hundredth of a rupee
9 In the __ __ : nearing the end, in a way? (4,5)
10 Shield or heraldic border
11 Adolescent
16 Afternoon drink
20 Belonging to Alfred, in short?
21 Biblical woman
22 A repeating sound
23 Musically mournful
24 Assumed name
26 Disposed of body in fire
28 Amer Inst. of Aero. & Astro.
29 Measurement
31 Bivalve
35 Northern ocean
37 A sour, stale kind of smell
38 Japanese sash
39 A woody plant
40 Repetition from memory
41 Got a perfect score?
44 Music director Malik
45 North American nation
46 Soap flax
47 Modern: pref.



CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

XF HZBTDAF DB ZRE CWEFBUWG, XDWGZRW JZSCWDBU ZT DW;

XF EFCNFHW WGSW ZT ZWGFEC, XDWGZRW TFSEDBU DW.

TODAY'S CLUE: U EQUALS G

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: Ask not what the world needs. Ask what makes you come alive. Then go do it. Because what the world needs is people who have come alive.

Mohammed Siraj stars as RCB beat KKR

Mohammed Siraj returned with the figures of 3/8 and set up RCB's eight-wicket win over KKR.

Abu Dhabi, Oct. 22- Mohammed Siraj starred with the ball as Royal Challengers Bangalore (RCB) beat Kolkata Knight Riders (KKR) by eight wickets in the Indian Premier League (IPL) 2020 in Abu Dhabi yesterday.

Required 85 runs to win, RCB made a watchful start, scoring 15 runs in the first three overs before Devdutt Padikkal and Aaron Finch hit a four each in fourth over as RCB scored 13 runs in the over. The two scored 16 runs over the course of next two overs as RCB moved to 44/0 at the end of powerplay.

However, RCB lost both their openers in the seventh over. First, Lockie Ferguson, bowling his first over, dismissed Finch after the right-hander edged one to the wicket-keeper. Then, a mix-up between Gurkeerat Singh Mann and Padikkal saw the latter get run-out for 25.

Kohli and Gurkeerat though made sure that RCB did not lose any wicket as the duo added 39 runs together to help RCB complete an eight-wicket win.

Earlier, KKR brought in Tom Banton and Prasidh Krishna in place of Andre Russell while RCB made one change to their playing XI, picking Mohammed Siraj in place of Shahbaz Ahmed.

Siraj immediately justified his selection as he struck twice in his first over of the match. First, he had Rahul Tripathi caught behind the wickets and then dismissed Nitish Rana, disturbing the timber. In the next over, Navdeep Saini picked his first wicket as KKR lost Shubman Gill.

Siraj's wicket-taking merry-making continued as he picked his third wicket of the match after Tom Banton edged one to AB de Villiers in his second over and became the first bowler in the IPL history to bowl two maidens in a match.

Next, Yuzvendra Chahal trapped Dinesh Karthik before the wickets to give his side its fifth wicket. The leg-spinner scalped his second wicket of the match in the 13th over after Pat Cummins was holed out in the deep.

Washington Sundar joined the wicket-taking party as he got Eoin Morgan out for 30 in the 16th over. Lockie Ferguson and Kuldeep Yadav added 27 runs together as KKR eventually posted 84/8 on the board.

BRIEF SCORES

RCB: 85/2 (Devdutt Padikkal 25, Gurkeerat Singh Mann 21; Lockie Ferguson 1/17) beat **KKR:** 84/8 (Eoin Morgan 30, Lockie Ferguson 19*; Mohammed Siraj 3/8) by eight wickets.

IPL 2020

Today's Match (OCT. 22)

RR Vs SRH
Dubai Intl. Cricket Stadium, Dubai, **7.30 pm (IST)**

Tomorrow's Match (OCT. 23)

CSK Vs MI
Sharjah Cricket Stadium, Sharjah, **7.30 pm (IST)**

Yesterday's Result

KKR 84/8 (20 Overs) lose to **RCB 85/2 (13.3 Overs)**

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KKR gets unwanted record

Siraj becomes first bowler in IPL history to bowl two maiden overs in the same match

Abu Dhabi, Oct. 22- Kolkata Knight Riders (KKR) owned an ignominious record of becoming the team that finished with the lowest total in their allotted 20 overs without getting bowled out in the Indian Premier League (IPL).

KKR were restricted by Royal Challengers Bangalore (RCB) to 84 for 8 with Mohammed Siraj leading the way with 3 for 8 that included two wicket-maidens.

Siraj also became the first bowler in IPL history to bowl two maiden overs in the same match.

He dismissed KKR opener Rahul Tripathi, Nitish Rana and Tom Banton in a menacing opening spell of fast bowling. His figures after the first burst of three overs read 3-2-2-3.

KKR were at one point at the risk of getting bowled out for the lowest team total in the IPL.

That unwanted record still rests with RCB, who were bowled out for 49, coincidentally against KKR, in 2017.

Mysuru Dasara 2020 Events

AT MYSORE PALACE

DASARA EVENTS TODAY (OCT. 22)

- **7 pm to 8 pm:** Police Band.
- **8 pm to 9 pm:** Fusion Music by **Varijashree Venugopal** and troupe, Bengaluru.

DASARA EVENTS TOMORROW (OCT. 23)

- **7 pm to 8 pm:** Folk Songs by Honnaru Folk Singers - **Dr. P.K. Rajashekar** and troupe, Mysuru.
- **8 pm to 9 pm:** Hindustani-Karnatak Classical Music Jugalbandhi by **Vid. Shafique Khan** (Sitar) & **Vid. Karthik Nagaraj** (violin) and troupe.

NOTE: As there are COVID-19 restrictions, all the events will be telecast live.
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EVENTS TODAY (OCT. 22)

- **Ramsons Kala Pratishtana (RKP):** 16th edition of Bombe Mane, an exhibition of exquisite dolls, Bombe Mane auditorium, #91, above 'Aamrapali Sarees' shop, Nazarbad Main Road, **up to 7.30 pm.**
- **Indian Railways:** Railway Museum, KRS Road, opposite CFTRI Main Gate, **up to 8 pm.**
- **Trayinyas Shrividya Foundation:** 24th Sharannavarathri Mahotsava, Sri Subramanya Aavarananga Homa and Sri Dashavaarahi Homa, #8, 7th Main, 3rd Block, Jayalakshmipuram, **5.30 pm.**
- **Hemmige Srivaishnava Sabha - Cultural Wing:** Navaratri Series, Flute Concert by Vid. Vamshidhar and troupe, livestreaming on Facebook page *[https://www.facebook.com/HemmigeSriVaishnavaSabha/]*, **6.30 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (OCT. 23)

- **Trayinyas Shrividya Foundation:** 24th Sharannavarathri Mahotsava, Mahabhisheka, Sri Saraswati Aavaahana, Sri Kaalaratri, Srividya Lavanadurga Puja, Saptashati Parayana, Lalitopakhyana Parayana, Sri Chakrarchane and Sri Sundarakanda Parayana, **8.30 am;** Sri Dashashyamala Homa and Sri Dashavaarahi Homa, #8, 7th Main, 3rd Block, Jayalakshmipuram, **5.30 pm.**
- **Indian Railways:** Railway Museum, KRS Road, opposite CFTRI Main Gate, **10 am to 8 pm.**
- **Ramsons Kala Pratishtana (RKP):** 16th edition of Bombe Mane, an exhibition of exquisite dolls, Bombe Mane auditorium, #91, above 'Aamrapali Sarees' shop, Nazarbad Main Road, **10 am to 7.30 pm.**
- **District Kannada Sahitya Parishat, Mysuru:** Mysuru Dasara-2020, Dasara Kavigoshti, retd. Professor M. Krishnegowda inaugurates, Parishat Mysuru President Dr. Y.D. Rajanna presides, former MLA Vasu, MUDA Chairman H.V. Rajeev, Corporator A.U. Subbaiah and senior social worker Dr. T.T. Mahesh chief guests, Police Training School Principal and poetess Dr. Dharanidevi Malagatti chairs the Poets' Meet, participating poets - Dr. Kanaka Malini, Dr. Chikkamagaluru Ganesh, Devaraju Nisargatanaya, Dr. Madhuprasad, Usha Narasimhan, Anuradha P. Samaga, Kottatti Raju, Umesh Bevinahalli, Kumar Honnenahalli, Nagendra Hebbar, M. Maruthi, Ranganatha Mysore, Satish Javaregowda, M.G. Hegde Gundibande, B.K. Meenakshi, Roshan Chopra, M.N. Latha Mohan, Dr. Vinodamma, R.C. Rajalakshmi, Krishna Tippuru and Srilatha Manohar, District Sahitya Bhavan, Vijayanagar 1st Stage, **10.30 am.**
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- **Hemmige Srivaishnava Sabha - Cultural Wing:** Navaratri Series, Vocal Concert by Vid. Prashant Hemmige and troupe, livestreaming on Facebook page *[https://www.facebook.com/HemmigeSriVaishnavaSabha/]*, **6.30 pm.**

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Kannum Kannum Kollaiyadithaal (Ta)	(S-2)	4.40 pm
Love Mocktail (K)	(S-3)	11.30 am
Ala Vaikunthapurramuloo (Te)	(S-3)	4.10 pm
Shivaji Surathkal (K)	(S-3)	8.00 pm
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Love Mocktail (K)	(S-1)	6.15 pm
Shivarjuna (K)	(S-2)	3.30 pm
Kannum Kannum Kollaiyadithaal (Ta)	(S-1)	7.00 pm

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